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WP'S BABCOCK CITES SOURCES FAMILIAR W/ETHICS CMTE INFLU-
ENCE-BUYING PROBE WHO INDICATE INVESTIGATORS HAVE EVIDENCE--
"APPARENTLY FROM SUPERSENSITIVE US INTELLIGENCE REPORTS"--
THAT AS MANY AS 10 SITTING HOUSE MEMBERS RECEIVED CASH
FROM KIM DONG JO. JAWORSKI ALLUDED TO SUCH EVIDENCE IN
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5/22 HIRC TESTIMONY.

HIRC TOOK UP RESOLUTION 5/22 THAT THREATENS SK W/LOSS
US NON-MILITARY AID UNLESS CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATORS
ALLOWED QUESTION KIM DONG JO UNDER OATH. DEP SEC
CHRISTOPHER ALSO TESTIFIED MONDAY/TOOK ISSUE W/JAWORSKI
OVER KIM DONG JO QUESTIONING. CHRISTOPHER SAID HIRC
RESOLUTION AMOUNTED TO COERCION OF ROKG BY CONGRESS
THAT COULD HAVE UNDESIRABLE IMPACT ON US SECURITY IN
KOREAN PENINSULA. REPEATEDLY SAID CARTER ADMIN OPPOSED

RESOLUTION, DUE ITS "OVERT PRESSURE"/CONCERN IT MIGHT SET DANGEROUS PRECEDENT WHEREBY OTHER NATIONS WOULD CALL FOR SIMILAR TESTIMONY FROM US DIPLOMATS. CMTE CHRMN ZABLOCKI, HOWEVER, SAID ,ESOLUTION WOULD, NEVERTHELESS,

BE SENT TO FULL HOUSE LATER THIS WK (REUTER, 5/22).

2. KOREA/THAILAND/JAPAN

BANK OF TOKYO PLANNING FINANCIAL PACKAGE IN WHICH LOANS FROM JAPAN'S EX-IM BANK WILL BE USED BUY US-BUILT JETS FOR LEASING TO KOREAN AIR LINES/THAI AIRWAYS INTL. OFFICIALS SAY BANK WILL PROVIDE 120-MIL-DOL LOAN TO SK/40-MIL-DOLS TO THAILAND (THORPE, WSJ SEOUL).

3. JAPAN

REUTER'S ANAI/NYT'S SCOTT-STOKES REPORT FROM NARITA. SIMILAR ITEMS NOTE AIRPORT FUNCTIONING SMOOTHLY AS POSSIBLE, THO ARRIVING PASSENGERS SEEM BEWILDERED BY STRONG GUARD RIOT POLICE/LINGERING SIGNS OF REVOLT. MEANWHILE, LEFT-WING RADICALS/FARMERS PROMISE LONG GUERRILLA WAR TO SEEK FACILITY'S PERMANENT CLOSURE. UNCLASSIFIED

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FRESH VIOLENCE EXPECTED SHOULD GOJ TAKE MORE LAND FROM FARMERS IN ORDER EXPAND AIRPORT.

DU PONT SAYS TREASURY HAS W/DRAWN FIRM'S ANTIDUMPING COMPLAINT INVOLVING NYLON YARNS EXPORTED BY JAPAN. COMPANY SAID ACTION TAKEN AFTER JAPANESE FIRMS NOTIFIED TREASURY THEY WOULD RAISE PRICES ON YARNS SOLD IN US BY MUCH AS 30 CTS PER LB (REUTER, 5/22).

FY '77 FIGURES SHOW 48 PCT JAPAN'S TOTAL TV EXPORTS WENT TO US. HOWEVER, ELECTRONIC INDUSTRY ASSN NOTES LAST YR JAPANESE COLOR TV EXPORTS TO US AMOUNTED TO 56 PCT TOTAL EXPORTS (JOC TOKYO).

JAPAN'S AUTO PRODUCTION IN APRIL JUMPED 7.7 PCT FROM YR AGO, MARKING RECORD OUTPUT (UPI, JOC).

4. JAPAN/CHINA

CULLISON (JOC TOKYO) REPORTS 15-MEMBER DELEGATION OF JAPAN CMTE FOR ECON DEVELOPMENT LEFT TOKYO MONDAY FOR 10-DAY TOUR PRC'S MAJOR INDUSTRIAL CENTERS IN MOVE PROMOTE INCREASED BILAT TRADE.

5. CHINA

PRITCHETT (REUTER PEKING, 5/22)/UPI (JOC, CHITRIB)

PRESENT POSITIVE VIEWS BRZEZINSKI PRC VISIT. UPI
REPORTS US/PRC HAVE AGREED HOLD REGULAR MEETINGS TO
SPEED UP ESTABLISHMENT NORMAL RELS. ENDING 3-DAYS
TALKS W/CHINESE LEADERS MONDAY, BRZEZINSKI SAID US/PRC

DESTINED COME CLOSER TOGETHER FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT.
AT 5/22 BANQUET SPEECH, STATED AGREEMENTS ON INTL
ISSUES OUTWEIGHED DIFFERENCES. REUTER REPORTS INFORMED
DIPLO SOURCES SAID THEY FELT TALKS HAD TAKEN PLACE IN
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MORE POSITIVE ATMOSPHERE THAN WHEN VANCE VISITED PEKING
10 MONTHS AGO. ALSO SAID CHINESE WERE HARSHLY CRITICAL
OF VN/ABANDONED ANY PRETENSE OF NEUTRALITY IN VN-
CAMBODIA DISPUTE.

UPI (WSTAR 5/22) QUOTES US OFFICIALS THAT TALKS HAD
GOTTEN OFF TO GOOD START, W/SERIOUS/FRANK EXCHANGE OF
VIEWS. ALSO, CHINESE RADIO SAID TO HAVE WIDELY REPORTED
EXCHANGE OF TOASTS BETW HUANG HUA/BRZEZINSKI AT BANQUET
MONDAY.

AP REPORTS (WP/SUN) TAKE NEGATIVE VIEWPOINT, SEEING
DESCRIPTION OF TALKS AS "FRANK" MERELY CATCHWORD FOR
SIGNALLING DISAGREEMENT. QUOTE BRZEZINSKI, COMMENTING
ON TALKS W/TENG/HUA, THAT DISCUSSIONS "USEFUL BECAUSE
WE REVIEWED IN A CANDID FASHION OUR RESPECTIVE VIEWS"
ON INTL AFFAIRS.

BRZEZINSKI LEFT PEKING TUES/ARR TOKYO TO BRIEF JAPANESE
LEADERS ON HIS TALKS IN CHINA. DUE MEET FUKUDA/FONMIN
SONODA WEDS BEFORE DEPARTING FOR SEOUL (REUTER PEKING).

SUN CARRIES FRONT-PG UPI FOTO BRZEZINSKI ATOP GREAT
WALL.

PRCLO DEP CHIEF HAN HSU ADDRESSED ILLINOIS COLLEGE IN
JACKSONVILLE SUNDAY. SPEECH, ENTITLED "THE FRIENDSHIP
WILL LAST FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION," WARNED CON-
TINUED FRIENDSHIP MUST INCLUDE US W/DRAWAL FROM TAIWAN.
HAN REITERATED PEKING'S DETERMINATION "LIBERATE TAIWAN,"
EMPHASIZING THAT HOW/WHEN IS INTERNAL CHINESE AFFAIR
"WHICH BROOKS NO FOREIGN INTERFERENCE WHATSOEVER"
(HIPSMAN, CHITRIB).
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"PD" ITEM SAYS PRC RECLAIMING MILLIONS OF ACRES MARSHLAND
FOR AGRICULTURE NEAR SOVIET BORDER. DIPLO SOURCES SAY
DECISION MAY CERTAINLY HAVE STRATEGIC AS WELL AS AGRI-
CULTURAL SIGNIFICANCE (REUTER PEKING, 5/22; WP).

VICE PREMIER KU MU BEGINS 5-DAY OFFICIAL VISIT TO DENMARK. WILL TALK W/PREMIER JOERGENSEN/LUNCH W/QUEEN MARGRETHE/VISIT INDUSTRIAL PLANTS, FARMING AREAS (REUTER COPENHAGEN).

6. PACIFIC ISLANDS

DIRECTOR OF INTERIOR DEPT'S TERR AFFAIRS OFFICE RUTH VAN CLEVE TOLD HOUSE APPROP SUBCMTE (5/22) THAT BIKINI ISLANDERS WILL HAVE BE MOVED FROM ISLAND IN NO LATER THAN 90 DAYS, POSSIBLY WITHIN NEXT 75, ACCORDING REUTER'S SCALLY. SCALLY REPORTS FOUR ISLS UNDER CONSIDERATION FOR POSSIBLE RELOCATION INCLUDING KILI, WHERE BULK OF FORMER ISLANDERS STILL LIVE. WP'S PINCUS ADDS THAT PRINCIPLE CONTAMINATION SEEMS TO COME FROM VEGETATION, ESPECIALLY COCONUTS, EATEN BY BIKINIANS ALTHO WARNED BY DOI. SOME WITNESSES AT HEARING QUESTIONED ISLANDERS' WILLINGNESS LEAVE, DESPITE DANGERS.

7. VIETNAM

UPI (BANGKOK) REPORTS AIR VIETNAM/THAI AIRWAYS BEGIN REGULAR SERVICE BETWN HANOI/BANGKOK (WP).

8. MALAYSIA

WSJ (KL) SAYS MALAYSIA, SEEKING BENEFIT FROM BANKS' LARGE EXCESS RESERVES, IS REFINANCING AT MORE FAVORABLE TERMS 100 MIL-DOL-LOAN OBTAINED LAST YR.

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WORLD BANK LENDS PHILS 80 MIL DOLS TO HELP FINANCE INDUSTRIAL INVESTMENT; 50 MIL FOR LARGE SCALE ENTERPRISES, 29.7 FOR SMALL AND MED-SIZE INDUSTRY/REMAINING 300 THOUSAND TO ESTABLISH TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR MANAGEMENT/STAFF OF FIL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE INSTITUTIONS (REUTER, WASHINGTON 5/22).

GOP ACKNOWLEDGES THAT DISCOVERY OF REMOTE TAO'T BATO CAVE DWELLERS, ANNOUNCED WITH GREAT FANFARE LAST WK, ACTUALLY OCCURRED 15 YRS AGO WHEN US ANTHROPOLOGIST ROBERT FOX CONTACTED THEM IN '63. OFFICIAL NEWS AGENCY REPORT DID NOT EXPLAIN REASON FOR PREVIOUS CLAIM, PRESENTED IN CONNECTION W/VISIT TO AREA BY MARCOS/FAMILY (REUTER MANILA).

10. AUSTRALIA

JOC'S STOVE (SYDNEY) REPORTS FEASIBILITY STUDY BY BRIT/W GERMAN STEELMAKERS CURRENTLY UNDERWAY LIKELY TO RECOMMEND BUILDING MINI-STEEL MILL IN VICTORIA WHICH WILL CHALLENGE

PRESENT MONOPOLY ON AUSSIE STEEL PRODUCTION HELD BY BROKEN HILL PROPRIETARY CO.

IN 2ND STORY, STOVE SAYS AUSTRALIA'S NATL BANK'S LATEST ECON SURVEY URGES THAT RESTRICTIONS ON FON INVESTMENT/ OVERSEAS BORROWING BE CUT TO ABSOLUTE MINIMUM TO ALLOW UNIMPEDED ACCESS TO FON CAPITAL/TECHNOLOGY ASSOCIATED W/ HIGHER PRODUCTIVITY. -

COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

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PAT BUCHANAN (NYDN) ACCUSES US OF PURSUING "POLICY OF CALCULATED INSULT" TOWARD TAIWAN. CITES SEVERAL RECENT "SNUBS" AGAINST ROC, CONCLUDING ADMIN CREEPING TOWARD NORMALIZATION W/PEKING--"WHICH WILL MEAN SCUTTILING TAIWAN"/SEVERING SECURITY TREATY. TERMS US POL ON MATTER "AT ONCE CYNCIAL AND STUPID." WONDERS WHY US COURTING PEKING RATHER THAN REVERSE, AS "THEY NEED US MORE THAN WE NEED THEM."

12. KOREA

SF CHRON EDIT (5/12) SAYS ROKG'S REFUSAL ALLOW KIM DONG JO TESTIFY BEFORE CONGRESS HAS "PRETTY WELL COLLAPSED" HOUSE PROBE. CONCLUDES ALL THAT CAN BE ASSUMED NOW IS THAT HOUSE MEMBERS GLAD ENOUGH BE SPARED FURTHERING INVESTIGATION/CONTENT LET IT DIE W/O EMBARRASSMENT OF HAVING KIM SPILL HIS STORY.

13. JAPAN

CSM'S ELLIS QUESTIONS WHETHER US WILL THROW "LEGAL ROAD-BLOCK" ACROSS TOKYO'S PLANS SHIP SPENT URANIUM FUEL TO UK/France FOR REPROCESSING. SAYS GIVEN IMPORTANCE US-JAPAN PARTNERSHIP, WASHINGTON OFFICIALS EXPECT APPROVAL BE GIVEN FOR PROPOSAL, DESPITE PRESIDENTIAL DISTASTE FOR MOVE.

14. VIETNAM

WP'S RICHARD COHEN SUGGESTS USG USED CANNON TO KILL FLIES IN HUMPHREY/TRUONG CASE. FOR WHATEVER REASON, SAYS GOVT ANXIOUS WIN ESPIONAGE CASE, SERIOUS MATTER. WONDERS WHY GOVT DID NOT SIMPLY DEPORT TRUONG, FIRE HUMPHREY FOR PEDDLING WHAT HE CALLS "JUNK, NOTHING--GARBAGE."

15. PHILIPPINES

LAT'S L MATHEWS SAYS THAT DESPITE MONDALE VISIT, US HUMAN UNCLASSIFIED

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RTS PRESSURE/RECENT STRONG SHOWING OF OPPOSITION IN MANILA
AREA IN RECENT ELECTION, MARCOS SEEMS TO HAVE HARDENED

ATTITUDE TOWARD INTERNAL DISSENT. MATHEWS CITES HARSHER
TREATMENT FOR AQUINO/PRESSURE ON FAMILY WHICH FORCED HIS
SISTER W/DRAW FILM FROM RECENT INTL FESTIVAL IN TASHKENT.
SUGGESTS THAT CRACKDOWN HAS SILENCED GOVT'S MOST VOCAL
OPPONENTS. QUOTES ANTI-US ELEMENTS AMONG DISSIDENTS
THAT MONDALE VISIT SO SOON AFTER ELECTION WAS SETBACK FOR
THEM. SAYS TRIP APPEARS GIVE US SANCTION TO RESULTS,
MARCOS CURRENT POLICIES (5/15).

16. SEA

IN GENERAL OVERVIEW OF WORLD AFFAIRS, BUCHANAN (CHITRIB)
CHARTS SUCCESSFUL CAMPAIGNS OF COMMUNISTS, INCLUDING IN
SEA. NOTES DOMINOES--CAMBODIA, VIETNAM/LAOS--HAVE FALLEN;
REFUGEES SET SAIL BY THOUSANDS. SAYS "BLOODBATH (IN
CAMBODIA)...WOULD HAVE TURNED THE STOMACH OF HEINRICH
HIMMLER." CONCLUDES AMERICAN SELF-HATRED/DETENTE HAVE LEFT
US MILITARILY, MORALLY, PSYCHOLOGICALLY UNPREPARED FOR
CONFRONTATION W/COMMUNISTS. VANCE

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